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◆ Temporary Child Care For Children with Disabilities and Crisis Nurseries

Respite Care. Respite care programs are designed to alleviate social, economic, and financial stress among families of children with disabilities or children who are chronically or terminally ill. They provide short-term, in-home or out-of-home nonmedical child care. Respite care provides families or primary caregivers with periods of temporary relief from the pressures of demanding child care routines and lessens the intensity of severe family stress. Respite care programs generally provide 24-hour services, access to medical services, referral to counseling and therapy, staff training including child abuse/neglect reporting responsibilities, and public awareness efforts. (For information about these programs in your State contact: Linda Baker at 1-800-604-9655 or visit the ARCH National Respite and Resource Center website at: <http://www.archrespite.org>).

Crisis Nurseries. Crisis nurseries are child care facilities that provide a safe environment when the chance of neglect or abuse in the home increases. The programs offer parents the option of "time out," as a preventive measure to reduce the likelihood of child maltreatment. They are designed to: (1) offer a safe environment as a resource for children at risk of abuse; (2) deliver non-punitive, non-threatening services as a resource to care-givers of at-risk children, and (3) utilize existing community-based services to further diminish the potential for the maltreatment of children in families experiencing crisis. (For information about programs in your State, please contact: Linda Baker at 1-800-604-9655 or visit the website <http://www.archrespite.org>)

Respite services continue to be an important component of a full continuum of child abuse prevention and family resource services, and are included as services for funding under the CBCAP program. (See §207(3), §209(3)(B) and (c)(v)&(5).)

◆ Family Support Center Programs

The Family Support Center Programs were formerly supported by Subtitle F of Title VII of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act. They have infrastructures in place that are demonstrating innovative approaches to building on individual and community strengths and increasing family self-sufficiency to prevent the threat of homelessness. These programs have components to assist in transitioning poor families from welfare to meaningful work. (For further

information contact: Sheldon Shalit at (202) 401-4807, email: sshalit@acf.dhhs.gov).

◆ **Child Care Program**

The Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF), established as a result of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-193) assists low-income families and those transitioning off welfare to obtain child care so they can work or attend training and education programs. This program provides subsidized child care services to eligible parents as long as the child care providers meet basic health and safety requirements set by States and Tribes, including the prevention and control of infectious diseases, environmental safety, and minimum health and safety training. (For further information about these programs in your State, please contact: Aylanda Cameron at (202) 205-8713, email: acameron@acf.dhhs.gov).

◆ **Head Start Program**

Head Start is a Federal program for infants, toddlers, and preschool children from low-income families. The Head Start program is operated by a variety of faith and community-based agencies, including Community Action Agencies, non-profit organizations, and school systems. These programs provide comprehensive services to meet the educational, emotional, social, health, nutritional, and psychological needs of our most vulnerable children, including children with disabilities. An essential component of every Head Start program is the involvement of parents in parent education, program planning, and other administrative and managerial activities. (For further information about these programs in your State, please contact: Carmen Bovell-Chester at (202) 205-8085, email: cbovell-chester@acf.dhhs.gov).

◆ **Various Community-Based Parent Education, Mutual Support and Self Help, Outreach, Referral, Adoption Counseling, Early Childhood Development, and Peer Counseling Programs**

These programs range from national models implemented broadly in States, to unique local agency programs with a long history of service to their communities. They are funded from diverse sources and contribute to a network that provides a full continuum of community-based family resource services. A few examples of such programs are:

Home Instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY). HIPPY is an early childhood instruction program for educationally disadvantaged parents to use with their preschool children. Paraprofessional home visitors from the community instruct parents in the use of HIPPY materials. (For more information about programs in your State, contact Elisabet Eklind (212) 532-7730, email: info@hippyusa.org).

Parents As Teachers (PAT). PAT is a home-school-community partnership for parents of children 0-3 that is designed to help parents give their children the best possible start in life by providing timely information on child development and ways to encourage learning. (For more information about programs in your State, contact: Barb Kushar at (314) 432-4330, email: barb.kushar@patnc.org).

Parents Anonymous. Parents Anonymous is a national organization that oversees a network of accredited organizations and the operation of approximately 1,000 Parents Anonymous Programs which offer mutual support and self-help services to alleviate the stresses of parenting, build self-esteem, teach new parenting skills, and promote parent leadership. (To find out about PA chapters in your State, please visit <http://www.parentsanonymous.org>).

State and Local Chapters of Prevent Child Abuse America (PCA). PCA is a national organization with State and local chapters in every State. Their mission is to provide information, public education and awareness, and various services for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. (To find out about PCA chapters in your State, contact: Greer Thornton at (312) 663-3520, email: gthornton@preventchildabuse.org). In addition, PCA collaborates with Circle of Parents, a national network of parent mutual support programs. (To find out about these specific activities, contact Cynthia Savage at (312) 663-3520, email: csavage@preventchildabuse.org). You may also visit the PCA website at: <http://www.preventchildabuse.org/>

The Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD). ADD is the lead agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, responsible for planning and carrying out programs which promote the self-sufficiency and protect the rights of persons with developmental disabilities. ADD's major goal is to work in partnership with State governments, local communities and the private sector to increase the social and economic integration of individuals with developmental disabilities. (To find out about ADD programs in your State, please contact: June Wyman at (202) 690-6589, email: jwyman@acf.dhhs.gov).

Faith-based and community organizations (often referred to as FBO/CBOs) are a vitally important resource in our communities. They demonstrate care and compassion to those most in need by providing a rich diversity of programs, small and large. Faith-based and community organizations have unique strengths that government cannot duplicate. They often operate very close to the daily lives of individuals and families in need and thus can reach needy individuals and families that government cannot. For more information about the HHS Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, visit: <http://www.hhs.gov/fbci/>

For more information about the Compassion Capital Fund at ACF, which helps faith-based and community groups build capacity and improve their ability to provide social services to those in need, please visit: <http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ccf/>

Child Support Enforcement Access and Visitation Program. Funds are provided to enable States to create programs which support and facilitate access and visitation by non-custodial parents with their children. Activities may include mediation, counseling, education, development of parenting plans, visitation enforcement and development of guidelines for visitation and alternative custody arrangements. For more information, please visit the ACF Office of Child Support Enforcement at: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/>